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1. IN MORNING MEETING WITH CO-SPONSORS US AND JAPAN STATED THAT THEY CAN ACCEPT REVISED TEXT ONLY IF WORDS "AS APPROPRIATE" WERE ADDED IN OP PARA 6. CO-SPONSORS ADJOURNED MEETING FOR PRIVATE CONSULTATIONS AND LEFT ISSUE PENDING TO AFTERNOON. US DEL CO-ORDINATED COMMON POSITION WITH EC-9 REPS BEFORE MORNING SESSION, BUT EC-9 SPOKESMAN DID NOT TAKE FLOOR BEFORE ADJOURNMENT.

2. LATE IN AFTERNOON, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CONSULTATIONS INFORMED US DEL THAT CO-SPONSORS WERE WILLING TO DROP OP PARA 6 COMPLETELY PROVIDED THAT TEXT BE ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS WITHOUT ANY EXPLANATIONS OF VOTE. AS PER CHAIRMAN
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AND EC-9 REP THIS ALTERNATIVE HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY EC-9, AND

JAPANESE POSITION PRESUMED BY THEM TO BE SIMILAR.
US DEL INFORMED CHAIRMAN THAT, AS A QUESTION OF PRINCIPLE,
WE COULD NOT ACCEPT LIMITATION ON RIGHT OF SOVEREIGN STATE
TO SPEAK. AT SAME TIME, HE WAS INFORMED THAT ACCORDING TO
STANDING INSTRUCTION US WOULD BE REQUIRED TO MAKE
EXPLANATION OF VOTE ON PRESENT OP PARA 5, BUT NOT ON
OTHER PORTIONS OF THE RESOLUTION. US DEL EXPLAINED
THAT OUR NEED TO SPEAK HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN MENTIONED TO
BRAZIL AS PROPONENT OF THIS PARA. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
CONSULTATIONS RECALLED THIS. IT WAS FURTHER EXPLAINED
THAT US DEL EOMMCNETS WOULD BE LIMITED TO THIS PARA AND
WOULD NOT IN ANY WAY SEEK TO WEAKEN SUBSTANCE OF OTHER
PARAS IN RESOLUTION. THE CHAIRMAN SAID HE WOULD REFER
THIS POSITION TO COSPONSORS.

3. COMMENT: AFTER THREE WEEKS OF NEGOTIATIONS, TEXT
OF RESOLUTION HAS FINALLY ARRIVED AT POINT THAT IT MEETS
OUR MAIN SUBSTANTIVE PROBLEMS. IMPORTANTLY IT SATISFIED
POINTS OF INTEREST DISCUSSED IN CONSULTATIONS AMONG US,
EC-9 AND JAPAN. FURTHERMORE, US DEL AWARE THAT DEPT
HAS RECENTLY DISCUSSED WITH BRAZILIAN ECONOMIC COUNSELLOR
THE BILATERAL ISSUE OF COUNTERVAILING DUTIES.

4. US DEL HAS MADE IT CLEAR BOTH EARLY IN NEGOTIATIONS
AND TODAY WITH CHAIRMAN OF CONSULTATIVE GROUP THAT
STANDING INSTRUCTIONS IN PARA 5 (REFTEL) REQUIRE A US
EXPLANATION OF VOTE. IF CO-SPONSORS WILL MAINTAIN
MOST RECENT COMPROMISE EVEN THOUGH WE MAKE THIS
EXPLANATION, WE WILL OF COURSE DO SO. HOWEVER, OUR
FORCING OF AN ISSUE ON AN IMPORTANT, BUT COLLATORAL,
POINT, WHICH MAY POSSIBLY LEAD TO THE TABLING AND THE ADOPTION
OF ORIGINAL TEXT OPPOSED BY OUR MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS MAY AFFECT
THE POSSIBILITY OF MEANINGFUL AND ESSENTIAL CO-ORDINATION ON
QUESTIONS OF TRADE POLICY VIS-A-VIS THE LDC'S. USUN
BELIEVES THAT DEPT SHOULD ATTEMPT TO FIND, EITHER
BILATERALLY OR MULTILATERALLY, MORE PROPITIOUS
CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH TO EXPLAIN OUR POSITION.
END COMMENT.
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